

JOAN (BROWN) HILLARY

"She looketh as if butter would not melt in her mouth."

Dear Phoebe -

This is "Brown" here - however are you? Patty's description and report of you sounded most interesting--I gather you're going to be a co-ed for a year, then will be travelling, "casing" the various universities to find one that suits you--right? Don't omit the University of Windsor--not because you might like it--although you might, at that!--but because it is twenty miles from the Hillary household--and we'd love to see you. I think you would approve of Norm--he's the man I married--the only one, by the way - probably somewhat to the disappointment of old school-mates who thought they could count on me to provide some spicy notoriety. Norm is a hot-headed Irishman, with a chip on his shoulder, terribly sentimental, terribly good at siring children and providing for them, which is an unusual combination! So we'll expect you.

The Re-union was, I would say an unqualified success. At the Guild Inn the sherry was flowing freely enough to dispel any airs anyone might have tried to put on. After the first gasp of recognition, we very quickly slid into a relaxed camaraderie as of old--whee--that's quite a sentence. Again at Adrienne's there were gallons of joy-juice, and in no time people were confiding deep and often sad secrets as well as whooping it up. The only drawback - as far as I was concerned - was age - at midnight I was exhausted - and like Cinderella - tore back to the Park Plaza before my face slipped. Adrienne and Patty are made of sterner stuff. They were up until 4:00 a.m. - also Fraser who left at 3:30 - had to drive herself out to Willowdale - and made it. Tea the next day at Julia Wright's for the Staff consisting of Miss Layton who is perfectly delightful, exactly the same, and Mrs. Marriott. I left before the others arrived.

You may well wonder what prompted this letter, when as you must know I am not in the habit of chasing up girlhood friends for old times' sake. Although I must admit when I do get around to it, it has always been most rewarding and enjoyable. The reason - if I must have one - is that I didn't get around to putting my "thumb-nail" sketch in writing, while in Toronto - and promised Patty I would send it to you via her. And since I can't put a pen to paper without producing a deluge, I'm afraid you are for it, chum. What's more I'm going to describe each and every one of my children in detail! So fill up your glass, take your shoes off, put your feet up - and relax - it won't be that bad!

Affectionately,

Brown

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Life history of Joan Brown Hillary - after 1939 - that is!

Career

- counsellor at Camp Inamendaidon.
- employed at the Central Neighborhood House - with Joyce Jarvis and Ed Seixas.
- went in training at Toronto General Hospital - being engaged to a medical student it seemed like a good idea - what's more I adored it.
- one year later - nursing career and engagement terminated - invalidated out with what was supposed to be TB - was probably Mono - recuperated for a year - including session in San.

Real Career

February 12, 1944 - got married to Dr. Norman L. Hillary - radiologist.

Results

1. Penelope Joan (Penny) - 19 - tall, blonde, gorgeous. Boarder Captain at Havergal, completely exonerated mother's image at said school. Just completed first year Triad Languages at University of Western Ontario, now in Switzerland for three months working as nurses' aide at l'Hopital Cantonale, Geneva.
2. Mary Gartshore (Molly) - 17 - small, blue-eyed, brown hair - looks Irish--a brain. Finishing Grade XIII at Neuchâtel Junior College, Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Going into Pre-Med, University of Toronto.
3. William Stuart (Bill) - 15 - Tall, skinny, blue-eyed, very average in school and sport, except sailing and skiing - at which he excels. Nice kid--going to St. Andrews College Aurora next fall. Grade XI.
4. Elizabeth Kathleen (Beth) - 13 - A dumpling - a real extrovert - has been chuckling since age of two weeks. Adores horses and then Beatles.
5. Jane Hubert - 11 - the only one who remotely resembles her mother! Grade VI - giggles - likes boys - plays the piano rather well.
6. Nancy - 8 - the happiest of the lot! Unfortunately is Mongoloid - and has never lived at home.
7. Norah Margaret - 4 - One dividend - the surprise result of an obviously too-relaxed holiday in the Bahamas. Blonde, dainty, an absolute darling - should be spoiled rotten, but isn't.

Interests

Guess what!

1. Skiing - and organizing kids to do likewise.
2. Sailing - and organizing kids to do likewise.
3. Home and School - for years and years - and years and years - ad inf.
4. National Ballet Guild - pure fun.
5. Canadian Institute of International Affairs - joined so I could hear Blair Fraser!
6. Keeping open house for kids' friends, old college friends, M.E.S. amies, etc.

Home

A farm - 31 9/10 acres - which we do not farm, but simply enjoy. Old rambling, comfortable, untidy house - sixteen beds, so you're welcome any time. If you like kids, horses (two old nags) dogs, (only one at the moment - ancient German Shephard) - cats (only 3 now - just got rid of 9 two-month old kittens).

Mrs. N. L. Hillary,
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Woodslee, Ontario.

Miss Dorothy Cameron,
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Toronto 12, Ontario.

DOROTHY CAMERON

"I never found the companion that was so companionable as solitude".

Girls' Work Secretary at Community Y, Fredericton for one year - 1939 - 1940. Same at East End Y.W., Hamilton for two years.

Dependent's Board of Trustees, Ottawa and Secretary of their Advisory Committee in Kingston until the end of the war.

Six years at Big Sister Association.

B.A., University of Toronto, 1952.

M.S.W., McGill, 1954.

Medical Social Worker, Royal Victoria Hospital, 1954 - 1956.

Worked in England as an "almoner" for one year and travelled on the continent.

Returned to Toronto in 1959 and was a medical social worker at Hospital for Sick Children, and for the past five years as a social worker at the C.N.I.B.

Miss Dorothy Cameron,
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FRANCES (CHRISTIE) BEDFORD

"Ah, why should life all labour be?"

1939 - 1940 Niagara Falls Y.W.C.A.

1941 - 1944 Y.W.C.A., Sherbrooke, Quebec.

1944 Arrived in Montreal. Spent the summer in Regina where husband was stationed in R.C.A.F.

1945 Ketchanos Y.W.C.A.

Son No. 1 born in Vancouver (Airforce again) now 18, grade 12.

Son No. 2 born in Owen Sound - now 15, grade 9.

Up to my ears now in Red Cross work - and Water Safety Chairman of our local branch.

Before I was old enough to know better I took the Red Cross Water Safety Instructors course, and teach swimming to retarded children and adults.

Recreation: Curling and Golf.

Mrs. David Bedford,
300 East 2nd Avenue,
Owen Sound, Ontario.

SYLVIA (COLLIER-WRIGHT) TEAL

"Lord, in the morning Thou shalt hear,
My voice ascending high."

Greetings to M.E.S. '39:

Twenty-five years have gone by--I can't believe it! I hope that every member of our class is healthy and happy.

Congratulations to Patty and Adrienne for organizing this re-union--I understand that the response has been wonderful, and I wish that I could be joining you.

Love and Best Wishes to all of you and have a wonderful week-end.

Sylvia Collier-Wright (Teal)

P.S. Patty - can you remember my various messages?

"Thumbnail" Sketch

- Taught for eight years after graduation in Vancouver, Newfoundland and Toronto.
- Married--lived in U.S.A. for ten years. Now living in Edmonton--have three children, 15, 13 and 11. Have gone back to teaching--this time Kindergarten.
- What more can I say--we are healthy and happy!--a few pounds heavier--but still the same colouring--thanks to modern science!

(Sylvia's family is delightful--the most happy lot. Aubrey, Sylvia's husband looks like an advertisement for rugged "Mr. Canada", and he is a hunting/fishing man too! Sylvia--you might have mentioned the children's marks! -- Ed.)

Mrs. A. T. Teal,
6204 - 109th Avenue,
Edmonton, Alberta.

RUTH CORNER

"Bait the hook well, this fish will bite."

- Physical Education:

- 3 years Y.W.C.A. (2 Edmonton, 1 Brantford)
- 3 years Moulton College
- B.A. - University of Western Ontario
- 1950 - Bachelor of Library Science, B.L.S. Library School, University of Toronto
- 1950 to present: Librarian, York Township Public Library, 1745 Eglinton Avenue West, Toronto. York Township - one of municipalities of Metropolitan Toronto. Pop. 132,000 approx.
Present position: Head of Adult Services
- Hobby: Golf

I have two Toronto addresses--Business: 1745 Eglinton West,
Residence: 43 Brookdale Avenue.

However, it is as well to keep my Aurora address (19 Cousins Drive,
Aurora, Ontario) as I spend a good deal of time there.;

Miss Ruth Corner,
19 Cousins Drive,
Aurora, Ontario.

MARGARET (DAVISON) LATHROP

"I am monarch of all I survey."

Sketch

Born - Margaret H. Davison 1916 (who cares how old we are!)

Married - D. Whiting Lathrop, "the boy next door", September, 1940.

Five Children -

(a) Margot - age 22, graduates from Western (London, Ont.) this year.

(b) John and Harold - "the twins" age 20 years.

Harold - 1st year, Fine Arts, Mt. A. Sackville, N.B.
"good old Mt. A. Winn!"

John - 1st year science, Dalhousie, Halifax, but
will switch to Business Administration, Western,
in the fall.

(c) Ned - 16 yrs., grade 10 - St. Andrews College, Aurora.

(d) Anna - (bless her heart!) age 8, grade 3, A. K. Wiggs
School, Fonthill.

Mother of the brood is fine, still riding horseback, also teaching
Nursery School on Sundays at the church, very much a "matron".

Was thrilled to have a visit from Winn one day last summer. Hear from
Rhoda Mary all the time, she has two lovely girls, and is also horse-
back riding; must be catching!

Reed, drop me a line, would love to hear from you.

Many of you are down our way. Please drop in at "The Silo". Hi, to all.

Marg.

Mrs. Whiting Lathrop,
The Silo, Box 370,
Fonthill, Ontario.

DOROTHY (FORSYTH) SANGSTER

"Time is but the stream I go a'fishing in."

- 1939 - Day war was declared, on train to Saskatoon Y.W.C.A. - stayed two years.
- 1940 - One year in Saint John, N.B., Y.W.
Three summers - Canoeing Director at Camp Ouareau.
- 1941-45- Physical Director at Provincial Normal School.
- 1945 - July 13 married Ted, he having returned from serving three and a half years as Prisoner of War in Germany, R.C.A.F.

Over the next six years--three daughters were born. Elspeth now 16; Leslie Ann, 14; Janice Lee, 12. Ted, after eleven years with D.V.A.--Welfare Director, changed his line of work--now owner of a Robinson Little Drygoods Store in Killarney, Manitoba. While this rural living was a complete change of living, all five are sold on it. Golf and curling suit the parents. Swimming, skating and curling occupy many spare moments for girls.

I have been asked the last few years to adjudicate folk dancing at rural festivals. After five years of trying--am going to teach the Phys. Ed. classes in the Elementary School, Killarney.

Life has been--and is, good--.

Mrs. E. M. Sangster,
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Killarney, Manitoba.

DOROTHY (FRAPPIER) MUNSIE

"I can be pushed just so far."

After Margaret Eaton graduation in 1939, attended University of Western Ontario as student teacher at Brescia Hall. Graduated 1942 with bachelors in General Arts. Married the day after graduation and moved to the west coast--lived in Vancouver and Victoria during war years. Taught part time at Y.W.C.A., in New Westminster during 1942-43. That was the extent of my teaching.

During the war my two older sons were born, Paul who is now twenty and Peter who is eighteen. After the war moved to the interior of B.C.--Princeton, where my husband has a sawmill. Two more sons born--Michael who is now thirteen years and John ten years.

I am active in curling, golfing and swimming--help with the Boy Scouts--otherwise keep busy looking after my family of four boys and travelling with my husband.

Dorothy Frappier Munsie

Mrs. J. Munsie,
Box 220,
Princeton, B. C.



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